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NATO FOR USDEL DISARMAMENT EXPERTS MEETING

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: NATO, MNUC

SUBJECT: ERW: APPROACH IN THE SSOD: NATO DISARMAMENT  
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REFS:

- A) USNATO 3732;
- B) USNATO 4307;
- C) BONN 06860;
- D) STATE 110723

1. WE APPRECIATE MISSION SUGGESTIONS IN REF A FOR HANDLING ERW IN COMING WEEKS AND BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT TO MOVE PROMPTLY TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE ALLIES. WE AGREE WITH MISSION VIEW THAT SOVIETS WILL CONTINUE ANTI-ERW CAMPAIGN PRIOR TO SSOD AND ATTEMPT TO GAIN NEUTRAL/NON-ALIGNED SUPPORT FOR THEIR MUTUAL RENUNCIATION PROPOSAL.

2. REF D PROVIDES GENERAL GUIDANCE TO ALL POSTS ON HOW WE INTEND TO HANDLE ERW IN THE SSOD. MISSION/US DELEGATION TO NATO DISARMAMENT EXPERTS MEETING SHOULD DRAW ON TALKING POINTS CONTAINED THEREIN. FYI. WE ARE NOT PREPARED

TO DISCUSS SPECIFIC ARMS CONTROL APPROACHES OR CRITERIA FOR MEASURING SOVIET "RESTRAINT" AT THIS TIME. DELEGATION AND USNATO SHOULD, HOWEVER, REPORT ANY ALLIED IDEAS ON ARMS CONTROL. IF ASKED FOR US VIEWS, YOU CAN POINT TO SECRETARY BROWN'S PUBLIC REMARKS IN BONN (REF C). END FYI.

3. ASSUMING SOVIETS PRESS ON ERW IN THE SSOD, AND PARTICULARLY IF THEY ADVANCE LANGUAGE CRITICAL OF THE U.S. AND ERW FOR INCLUSION IN THE PROGRAM OF ACTION OR DECLARATION ON DISARMAMENT, WE WOULD HOPE NATO COULD SHOW UNIFIED OPPOSITION TO THEIR APPROACH.

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4. FYI. MISSION/DISARMAMENT DELEGATION SHOULD TAKE DISCREET SOUNDINGS ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF WORKING FOR COMMON WESTERN APPROACH AT THE SSOD IF THE SOVIETS PRESS UNACCEPTABLE LANGUAGE. END FYI.

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